

I Claim:

1. (cancelled)
2. (currently amended) The bendable extension arm as in Claim 28 Claim 1, wherein said stiffening wire is a 10 gage galvanized metal wire.
3. (cancelled)
4. (currently amended) The bendable extension arm as in Claim 28 Claim 3, wherein said at least one tool comprises devices comprise:
 - A. a paint brush, and
 - B. an extension pole.
5. (currently amended) The bendable extension arm as in Claim 28 Claim 3, wherein said attachment means are threads.
6. (currently amended) The bendable extension arm as in Claim 28 Claim 1, wherein said stiffening wire is rigidly attached to said first wire receptor and said second wire receptor ~~two wire receptors~~.
7. (currently amended) The bendable extension arm as in Claim 28 Claim 1, wherein at least one of said first end or said second end is slidingly attached to either one or both of said first wire receptor and said second wire receptor ~~two wire receptors~~.
8. (currently amended) The bendable extension arm as in Claim 28 Claim 1, wherein said first wire receptor and said second wire receptor ~~two wire receptors~~ are couplers for receiving said first end and said second end of said stiffening wire and for connecting separate devices.

9. (currently amended) The bendable extension arm as in Claim 28 Claim 1, wherein at least one of said first wire receptor or said second wire receptor ~~two-wire receptors~~ comprises a means for slidably receiving said stiffening wire.
10. (currently amended) The bendable extension arm as in Claim 28 Claim 1, wherein said sheath is helically constructed bendable metal sheath.
11. (currently amended) The bendable extension are as in Claim 28 Claim 1, further comprising two ferrules for attaching together said stiffening wire, said sheath and said first wire receptor and said second wire receptor ~~two-wire receptors~~.
12. (currently amended) The bendable extension arm as in Claim 11, wherein said two ferrules crimp said stiffening wire, said sheath and said first wire receptor or said second wire receptor ~~two-wire receptors~~.
13. (currently amended) The bendable extension arm as in Claim 28 Claim 1, wherein said stiffening wire is a plurality of stiffening wires.
14. (currently amended) The bendable extension arm as in Claim 28 Claim 1, wherein said bendable extension arm is a bendable handle.
15. (currently amended) The bendable extension arm as in Claim 14, wherein said bendable handle comprises a:
 - A) a hand receiving end, and
 - B) a tool device attachment end,wherein a user grabs said handle at said hand receiving end and wherein a tool device is attached to said handle at said tool device attachment end.
16. (currently amended) The bendable arm as in Claim 15, wherein said tool device is a paint brush.

17. (currently amended) The bendable extension arm as in Claim 28 ~~Claim 1~~, wherein said stiffening wire permits said bendable extension arm to be bent to a desired shape, and wherein said stiffening wire holds said desired shape and prevents said bendable extension arm from bending while said bendable extension arm is utilized.
18. (cancelled)
19. (currently amended) A bendable extension arm for extending a user's reach during tool usage, comprising:
- A. a stiffening wire comprising a first end and a second end,
 - B. two wire receptors, wherein one of said two wire receptors is attached to said first end and the other of said two wire receptors is attached to said second end, and
 - C. a sheath covering said stiffening wire, wherein said sheath prevents over bending of said stiffening wire,
- wherein the stiffness of said bendable extension during tool usage ~~arm when being utilized for extending a user's reach~~ is ~~dependent primarily~~ substantially all dependent upon the stiffness of said stiffening wire.
20. (currently amended) The bendable extension arm as in Claim 19 ~~Claim 1~~, further comprising:
- A. a tool device attachment end, and
 - B. a tool device attached to said bendable extension arm at said tool device attachment end,
- wherein bending forces are exerted on said tool device when said bendable extension arm is being utilized for extending a user's reach.
21. (currently amended) A method for extending a user's reach, comprising the steps of:

- A. grabbing a bendable extension arm at a hand receiving end, said bendable extension arm comprising:
1. a stiffening wire comprising a first end and a second end,
 2. two wire receptors, wherein one of said two wire receptors is attached to said first end and the other of said two wire receptors is attached to said second end, and
 3. a sheath covering said stiffening wire, wherein said sheath prevents over bending of said stiffening wire,
- B. attaching a tool device to a tool device attachment end,
- C. bending said bendable extension arm to a desired shape up to a bending limit determined by said sheath but remain stiff enough in said desired shape to resist further bending during use of attached tool, and
- D. utilizing said bendable extension arm to extend the user's reach, wherein bending forces are exerted on said tool device at said tool device attachment end, ~~wherein said bendable extension arm's resistance to bending due to said bending forces is dependent primarily upon the stiffness of said stiffening wire.~~ wherein substantially all resistance to bending during tool usage below said bending limit is provided by said stiffening wire.
22. (previously presented) The method as in Claim 20, further comprising the step of attaching an extension pole to said hand receiving end, wherein said step of grabbing said bendable extension arm at said hand receiving end is grabbing said extension pole at an extension pole hand receiving end.
23. (previously presented) The method as in Claim 20, wherein said step of utilizing said bendable extension arm to extend the user's reach is achieved without having to utilize a separate locking device to maintain said desired shape.

24. (previously presented) The method as in Claim 21, wherein not having to utilize a separate locking device to maintain said desired shape allows for said step of utilizing said bendable extension arm to extend the user's reach to be available instantly after said step of bending said bendable extension arm to said desired shape.
25. (currently amended) The bendable extension arm as in Claim 28 ~~Claim 1~~, wherein a separate locking device is not necessary to maintain a desired shape when said bendable extension arm is being utilized for extending a user's reach.
26. (previously presented) The bendable extension arm as in Claim 25, wherein not having to utilize a separate locking device to maintain said desired shape allows for said bendable extension arm to be utilized instantly to extend the user's reach after said bendable extension arm is bent to said desired shape.
27. (new) The bendable extension arm as in Claim 28, wherein said bendable extension arm is moved by the user's hand during tool usage.
28. (new) A bendable extension arm for extending a user's reach while at least one tool is connected, said extension arm comprising:
- A. a deformable stiffening wire sufficiently deformable to be easily deformed by the hands of said user but stiff enough to resist further bending in the course of tool usage, said stiffening wire defining a first end and a second end,
 - B. a first wire receptor attached to said first end, said first end comprising an attachment means for attaching a tool,
 - C. a second wire receptor attached to said second end, and
 - D. a sheath covering said stiffening wire for preventing over bending of said stiffening wire,
- wherein said extension arm may be bent by hands of said user into desired shapes up to a bending limit determined by said sheath but remain stiff enough in said

desired shapes to resist further bending during tool usage, and wherein substantially all resistance to bending during tool usage below said bending limit is provided by said stiffening wire.

29. (new) The bendable extension arm as in Claim 28, wherein said tool is a paint brush.

30. (new) The bendable extension arm as in Claim 28, wherein said tool is selected from a group consisting essentially of: paint brush, extension pole, hedge trimmer, and broom.